

# HOLY CROSS PARISH

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*Give thanks to the Lord for  
His many Blessings  
On Thanksgiving*

<i>Mass Intentions</i>		
Oct	MASS FOR	REQUESTED BY
9 Mon, 9am	<b>9am Mass, No Adoration</b> Thanksgiving to the Holy Spirit for his love	.....
10 Tues, 9am	Thanksgiving – Mother Mary, St. Joseph, Baby Jesus & At George	Lella
11 Wed, 9am	Thanksgiving – St Gerald Majella, St John Bosco, St Dominic Savio & St Amelia	Lella
12 Thur, 9am	In honor of St Jude Thaddeus, St Peregrine & St Rocco	Lella
13 Fri, 9am	Romeo Manuel +	Claudette Wilson
14 Sat, 9am	All Parishioners Rose Marie Rivers + Denise Locke + All Souls in Purgatory Romeo Manuel + Thanksgiving – Connie Escabarte Thanksgiving – Maireez Erwin & Enzo Centeno	..... Nikola & Sharon Claudette Wilson Monica Sigue Fe & Vinda Olase Fe & Vinda Olase  Monica Sigue
5pm	Thanksgiving- In honor of St Anne, St Peregrine & St Rocco	Lella
15  9am	Felix & Natividad de Guzman +	Vivian Beltjar
11 am	Marilynn Smith +	Marie & Nancy

# Meditate on God's Word



## Sunday Gospel Reflection

Gospel: Matthew 21.33-43 - The Parable of the Wicked Tenants

Praying at all times

“In everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.” These are the words from St. Paul’s letter to the Philippians that we hear in today’s second reading. Elsewhere in his letter to the Thessalonians he says “Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.” St. Paul is urging us to pray in all circumstances and at all times. But is it really feasible for us to pray at all times? While we may not be able to spend every moment praying in the chapel, we can still pray ceaselessly by offering up all of our acts as a prayer to God. St. Josemaria Escriva says that “You can be sure that it is through the circumstances of ordinary life, ordained or permitted by the infinite wisdom of divine Providence, that we come close to God... To this I now add that your work too must become a personal prayer, that it must become a real conversation with Our Father in heaven” As stewards, we can pray and be in union with God through our professional work as well as our charitable works for the parish community. If we offer up these moments of work to God as a means to commune with Him, we will begin to live out St. Paul’s exhortation to pray ceaselessly. Let us strive to never forget the dignity and value of our work as stewards of Christ.

### Summary

In today’s second reading St. Paul urges us to pray ceaselessly in all circumstances. While we may not be able to spend every moment in the chapel, we can still pray ceaselessly by offering up all of our acts as a prayer to God. Let us strive to intentionally realize the dignity of our professional work, and our work as stewards, as a means to be in communion with God.

<https://www.archtoronto.org/stewardship>



### *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament*

We would like to inform everyone that the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is every Tuesday to Friday after the 9:30 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. in the Church *except on holidays.*



### *Let us pray for the sick*

**We keep in our prayers the sick, the homebound, and the “forgotten members” in our community.**

If you have a loved one you would like on our Sick list, please call or email us. We will keep their names on our list for 4 weeks. *Thank you.*



**Welcome!  
New  
Parishioners**

**Welcome New Parishioners**

Holy Cross Parish warmly invites all new parishioners to join us for a special Mass dedicated to welcoming you into our community. The Mass will take place on **Saturday, October 14, 2023, at 5:00 pm**. Following the Mass, there will be a small gathering in the church basement where you can meet fellow parishioners and members of various ministries and learn more about our vibrant community. There are also refreshments to enjoy! This is a great opportunity to connect and to share in the joy of fellowship. Come and experience the warmth of our community and the richness of our faith. We look forward to meeting you and celebrating together!

**Mila Valencia; Myrna Ramos; Josefina Carino; Jerry, Marinelle & Astara; Henok, Naomi, Yovel & Abigail; Alfonso, Feliza & Benjie; Asunsion Katherine; Bataller Zyrell; Constantino Florian; Creighton Bonnie; D'Costa Rhea; Dimapilis Adelaida; Fong Sian Cedric; Giraldo Isabel Cristina; Gopinath Sivakaran; Hall Sandy; Jacinto Audrey, Nerissa; Onyeka Roseline Ngozi, Joachin Ajamchukwu Stellamaris, Abuotitochukwu Marysavior; Levstik Adrin & Peter; Lopez Nelia; Lucero Libay; Morales Joel; Oringo Amelita & Virginia; Oringo-Fong Veronica; Parsons Tracey, Jack Leland, Nevach Lynn & Samuel Quintin; Regozo Kristere & Ramon; The May Fang; John Mason; Mark Floyd Nunez and Family;**



Families with children who would like to receive First Reconciliation & Holy Communion or Confirmation this school year are invited to our upcoming information sessions.

First Reconciliation & Holy Communion (Grade 2 & up) Parents only Oct 7 Saturday Registration & Info Session 9:30am - Church	Confirmation (Grade 7 and up) Nov 11 Saturday Parents & Candidate  Registration & Parent Info-Session 11am – Parish Hall
<b>Must bring the required documents:</b>	
1 Registration Form. Completely filled-up.	
2 Child's Baptismal Certificate (Photocopy)	
3 <b>For Confirmation only:</b> Sponsor's Baptismal or Confirmation or Marriage Certificate (Provide 1 photocopied document)	

To find out more about the program and or obtain a registration form, please contact the Parish office at 416-421-5225. Looking forward to meeting you all.



**Interested in becoming Catholic**

Wondering about becoming Catholic? The OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of adults) program will begin in the fall. If you are considering becoming a Catholic, or know of someone who is interested, or want more information, please call the office 416-421-5225 or email: [holycrosssto@archtoronto.org](mailto:holycrosssto@archtoronto.org) to obtain a registration form or visit our website [holycrosssto.archtoronto.org](http://holycrosssto.archtoronto.org)



*May you and your family be blessed on Thanksgiving and throughout the*

*rest of the year.....*

**Join us for Thanksgiving Day Mass  
Monday Oct 9, at 9am; No Adoration**  
*We gather in gratitude to Christ our King and share our gifts.*



CWL is collecting **new** and **slightly** used articles towards our November Bazaar. Please leave items in the church foyer or see Claudette for more info or call 416-467-0720.

	The Special Devotion Candle is being offered to Salvation of All Souls as requested by: Inconronata Ambrosini. Oct 3 to 10
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Special Devotion Candle (Sanctuary Lamp in the Tabernacle) is available to burn for your intention for one week for \$20.00. Please call the parish office to book your lamp.



**Ways to Support Your Parish**

**Online through the "Support Your Parish initiative** through the Archdiocese of Toronto. The link can be found on our Home Page.

**Online through our existing PAG (Pre-Authorized Giving) program.** Contact the office for more information.

**By placing a cheque in your traditional offertory envelopes** and mailing to the parish office: HolyCross Parish, 291 Cosburn Avenue, Toronto, ON M4J 2M4.

No matter how you chose to give, please know that your support is needed and appreciated, now more than ever.

**You can give your donation either in cash or in cheque addressed to Holy Cross Parish. Thank you very much.**

**Thank you so much in advance for your generosity.**



**Are you new in the Parish?**

If so, please take a moment to register by filling out a Registration Form located in the foyer and place it in the offertory basket. Kindly provide us with the complete information so that the Parish office will then contact you.

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